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HOUSE BILL No. 1021

DIGEST OF HB1021 (Updated February 24, 1999 10:31 am - DI 71)

Citations Affected: IC 20-10.1.

Synopsis: High school diploma for GED holders. Provides that a person who holds a GED diploma may obtain a high school diploma from the school corporation where the person has residence by passing the graduation examination under the ISTEP program within four years of obtaining the GED diploma. Requires the school corporation to administer the graduation examination at the regularly scheduled time for the examination to a GED diploma holder who wishes to take or retake the examination. Provides that a school corporation is not required to remediate a GED diploma holder who does not pass the graduation examination. Allows a school corporation to receive state adult education distribution money for adult education programs for
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Effective: July 1, 1999.

Smith V, Ayres

January 6, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.
February 24, 1999, reported — Do Pass.

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GED diploma holders who wish to obtain a high school diploma by passing the graduation examination.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 20-10.1-7-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1. (a) The board and
3 the state superintendent may prescribe a program of adult education.
4 The board shall adopt under IC 4-22-2 rules to provide this program
5 and the state distribution formula for money appropriated by the
6 general assembly for adult education. Money appropriated by the
7 general assembly for adult education may only be used to reimburse a
8 school corporation for adult education that is provided to persons who:
9 (1) need that education to gain the mastery of a skill that leads to:
10 (A) the completion of grade 8; ~~or~~
11 (B) a state of Indiana general educational development (GED)
12 diploma under IC 20-10.1-12.1; ~~or~~
13 (C) **a high school diploma under IC 20-10.1-12.1-5;**
14 (2) need that education to receive high school credit to obtain a
15 high school diploma; or

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(3) have graduated from high school (or received a high school equivalency certificate or a state of Indiana general educational development (GED) diploma) but who demonstrate basic skill deficiencies in mathematics or English/language arts.

However, the school corporation may not count, for reimbursement under this section, any person who is also enrolled in its K-12 educational program. In addition, a person described in subdivision (3) may only be counted for reimbursement by the school corporation for classes taken in the subjects of mathematics and English/language arts.

(b) The board shall provide for reimbursement to a school corporation under this section for ~~instructor's~~ **instructors'** salaries and administrative and support costs. However, the board may not allocate more than fifteen percent (15%) of the total appropriation for administrative and support costs.

(c) Each school corporation may conduct a program of adult education.

(d) Each school corporation may require a person who:

(1) is at least sixteen (16) years of age; and

(2) wishes to enroll in a school following that student's expulsion from school under IC 20-8.1-5 (before its repeal) or IC 20-8.1-5.1 on the grounds that the student was disorderly or that the student was dangerous to persons or property;

to attend evening classes or classes established for students who are at least sixteen (16) years of age. However, a child with a disability (as defined by IC 20-1-6-1) who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and whom the school corporation elects to educate shall be provided with an appropriate special educational program.

SECTION 2. IC 20-10.1-12.1-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 5. (a) As used in this section, "eligible person" means a person who:

(1) has residence in a school corporation; and

(2) holds a state of Indiana general educational development (GED) diploma issued within four (4) years of the date of administration of the graduation examination under subsection (d).

(b) As used in this section, "graduation examination" has the meaning set forth in IC 20-10.1-16-1.5.

(c) As used in this section, "residence" has the meaning set forth in IC 3-5-2-42.5.

(d) At the regular time when the graduation examination is administered to students of a school corporation, a school



1 corporation shall administer a graduation examination to an
2 eligible person who asks to take or retake the graduation
3 examination.

4 (e) The governing body of a school corporation shall issue a high
5 school diploma to an eligible person who passes the graduation
6 examination.

7 (f) Notwithstanding IC 20-10.1-17 or any other law, a school
8 corporation is not required to provide remediation to an eligible
9 person who does not pass the graduation examination.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1021, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

PORTER, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 3.

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